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SUBJ: INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL

FOR AF/W WYGANT

1. PLEASE PASS FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO FRANK ROSS OF IHC IN NEW
YORK: QUOTE

WHEN I RECEIVED COPY OF HOTAFRIC'S MARCH 9 LETTER TO YOU RE-
QUESTING FINAL FEASIBILITY STUDY SOONEST, I TELEPHONED MINISTER
KOFFI ARCH 14 TO ASK IF HE HANT Y LONG-AWAITED LETTER. HIS
CONFIDENTIAL LETTER SENT MARCH 13. BECUSE MAILS UNBELIEVABLY
SLOW THESE DAYS, HERE IS T OF KOFFI'S LETTER SO YOU CAN SET
NOW TO COMPLETE STUDY: BEGIN INNER QUOTE

J'I L'HONEUR DE VOUS INFORMER QUE LE GOUVERNEMENT
DAHOMEEN, APRES AVOIR ETUDIE L'IMPORTANCE DES POINTS 4-7-12 ET
14 DE VOTRE DEMANDE, SOUSCRIT AUX FACILITES SOLLICITEES DANS CES
RUBRIQUES PRECITEES.

LE COUT DU SITE EVALUE A 50.000.000 EST ACCEPTE

LE CASINO SERA INTEGRE A L'HOTEL POUR UNE MEILLEURE EXPLOI-
TATION.

QUANT A LA CONSTRUCTION DE LA JETEE QUI DESSERVIRAIT LES
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STATIONS BELNEAIRES ANNEXES, LE GOUVERNEMENT DAHOMEEN COMPTE

SUR LA PROMSSE QUI LUI AVAIT ETE FAITE PAR HOTAFRIC ET IHC
EN VUE D'INTERVENIR AUPRES DE LA BANQUE MONDIALE POUR UN
PRET DE FINANCEMENT DES TRAVAUX. ICI ENCORE, NOUS AUTORISONS
CES ORGANISMES D'INTERVENTION DE MENER A BIEN CETTE DEMARCHE.

EXPERANT QUE CETTE CONFIRMATION CONTRIBUERAIT A L'ACHEVEMENT
RAPIDE DES DERNIERES ETUDES EN COURS, JE VOUS PRE D'AGREER,
MONSIEURN LES ASSURANCESMA PARFAIT CONSIDERATION. END
INNER QUOTE

WARMEST REGARDS AND LET US KNOW WHEN TO EXPECT YOU. END QUOTE
ANDERSON

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